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To: R6 Daily Ops
Subject: R6 Daily Ops Report - Valero Port Arthur Update
Date: Thursday, September 21, 2017 7:30:03 AM

R6 Daily Ops Status Report

Current Status (7:27 AM CDT on 9/21/2017)

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R1:

A Adams

Outposted OSC's

Tel Duty:

E Delgado

Houston, TX/Zehner

Available

Available OSC's:

A Adams

Baxter

Bernier

Brescia

E Delgado

Enders

Fife
Guidry
Martin
Mason
McAteer
Moore
P Adams
P Delgado
Rhotenberry
Unavailable OSC's:
Hayes
Smith
Reported Activities (9/20/2017 8:00:00 AM CDT - 9/21/2017 7:26:00 AM CDT) Spill Notifications State
Oil
Haz
Rad

Other

 AR

LA

 NM

Significant Events

No significant events for this reporting period

Field Operations

No Ops Log entries for this reporting period

Exercises

No exercises for this reporting period

At 12:10pm on 19 September 2017, the NRC was alerted to a storage tank fire at the Valero Refinery in Port Arthur, Texas. The fire began at approximately 11:55 am and was reportedly extinguished by 1:30 pm. There was a 8 mph wind from the south. The vacuum bottom tank was a feeder to the coking unit and contained an unknown amount of very heavy crude oil. Firefighting foam and water was applied to the fire and the surrounding tanks.

At 1:55 pm, OSCs McAteer and Baxter arrived onsite with 2 START contractors to perform air monitoring along the perimeter of the facility and throughout the nearby downwind neighborhood. There were no hits above normal levels for the areas monitored.

The City of Port Arthur implemented a shelter in place for the areas surrounding the Valero Refinery from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. There were no reportable injuries associated with this incident. Any road closures around the refinery were lifted by 2:15 pm.

This incident has not yet been determined related to potential damage caused by Hurricane Harvey.

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